Jane Raymond honored by Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups

Jane Raymond was awarded the *2002 President's Award* by the Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups (CWAG) and Blue Cross/Blue Shield United of Wisconsin on November 1. Jane serves as the Advocacy and Protection Systems Developer for the Bureau on Aging and Long Term Care Resources in the Division of Supportive Living.



From left: Fred Schluter, President of the Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups, Jane Raymond, and Tom Frazier, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Coalition of Aging Groups.

The award was given to Jane for her unparalleled vision, commitment and follow-through in the area of abuse and neglect of the elderly and other adults. Jane's innovative ideas, ceaseless efforts and constant dedication are motivated by her compassion and respect for older people. Through these efforts, Jane has helped to make Wisconsin a national leader in combating abuse.

According to Fred Schluter, president of CWAG, the highlight of his year is presenting the President's

Award to an outstanding citizen. Jane Raymond is "someone who has really earned to right to be recognized for her advocacy, compassion and for the good things she has accomplished in life," said Schluter. This award also recognizes Jane's ability to skillfully advocate for the importance of elder abuse issues while working within large bureaucratic systems. According to Schluter, "She has developed respectful and interdependent relationships with agencies, professional associations, funding sources and individuals, even those not previously involved with elder abuse."

Jane deserves our salute for her efforts on behalf of vulnerable adults and our congratulations for receiving this important award. Congratulations, Jane!